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# SENATE JOURNAL.

## FIRST DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1901.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, the Senate of the Twenty-seventh Legislature met in the Senate Chamber of the Capitol, in the city of Austin, at 12 m., and was called to order by Lieutenant-Governor J. N. Browning.

Roll of hold-over Senators called by J. P. Pool, Secretary of the Twenty-sixth Senate, at the direction of the Chair, the following answering to their names:

A. B. Davidson, of DeWitt county, representing District No. 29, composed of the counties of Jackson, Calhoun, Victoria, DeWitt, Goliad, Refugio, Bee, Live Oak, Karnes, Wilson, Atascosa, McMullen, La Salle, Frio.

J. B. Dibrell, of Guadalupe county, representing District No. 21, composed of the counties of Gonzales, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Comal, Hays, Blanco.

Arch Grinnan, of Brown county, representing District No. 26, composed of the following counties: Erath, Comanche, Mills, San Saba, McCulloch, Concho, Runnels, Coleman, Brown.

W. A. Hanger, of Tarrant county, representing District No. 30, composed of the following counties: Tarrant, Parker, Hood, Somervell.

C. O. James, of Hopkins county, representing District No. 2, composed of the following counties: Red River, Titus, Camp, Franklin, Hopkins, Delta.

B. H. Johnson, of Navarro county, representing District No. 9, composed of the following counties: Navarro, Henderson, Kaufman.

L. Lloyd, of Cherokee county, representing District No. 13, composed of the following counties: Anderson, Cherokee, Houston, Angelina, Trinity.

M. P. McGee, of Harrison county, representing District No. 8, composed of the following counties: Harrison, Rusk, Panola, Shelby.

Barry Miller, of Dallas county, representing District No. 6, composed of the following counties: Dallas, Rockwall.

George D. Neal, of Grimes county, representing District No. 15, composed

of the following counties: Leon, Madison, Grimes, Montgomery, Walker, San Jacinto, Polk.

D. W. Odell, of Johnson county, representing District No. 10, composed of the following counties: Ellis, Johnson, Hill.

D. E. Patterson, of Bell county, representing District No. 27, composed of the following counties: Bell, Lampasas, Coryell, Hamilton, Bosque.

C. L. Potter, of Cooke county, representing District No. 4, composed of the following counties: Grayson, Cooke.

W. P. Sebastian, of Stephens county, representing District No. 28, composed of the following counties: Palo Pinto, Stephens, Eastland, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Andrews, Glasscock, Midland, Ector, Winkler, Loving, Ward, Crane, Upton, Reeves, Gaines, Yoakum, Terry, Lynn, Dawson, Borden, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Fisher, Stonewall, Haskell, Jones, Shackelford.

R. N. Stafford, of Wood county, representing District No. 7, composed of the following counties: Rains, Van Zandt, Wood, Smith, Gregg, Upshur.

The Chair then directed the Senators-elect to send their certificates of election to the Secretary's desk. The same being done, the roll of Senators-elect was called, the following answering to their names:

J. T. Beaty, of Jasper county, representing District No. 14, composed of the following counties: Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Sabine, Newton, Jasper, Tyler, Liberty, Hardin, Orange, Jefferson.

R. V. Davidson, of Galveston county, representing District No. 17, composed of the following counties: Chambers, Galveston, Brazoria, Matagorda, Wharton.

D. F. Goss, of Baylor county, representing District No. 29, composed of the following counties: Jack, Young, Throckmorton, Clay, Archer, Wichita, Wilbarger, Baylor, Knox, Foard, Hardeman, King, Dickens, Crosby, Lubbock, Hockley, Cochran, Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Hall, Briscoe, Swisher, Castro, Parmer, Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Wheeler, Gray, Car-

son, Potter, Oldham, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Hansford, Sherman, Dallam, Floyd, Motley, Cottle, Childress.

Theodore Harris, of Bexar county, representing District No. 24, composed of the following counties: Bexar, Medina, Bandera, Kendall, Kerr, Gillespie.

E. W. Harris, of Hunt county, representing District No. 5, composed of the following counties: Collin, Hunt.

A. G. Lipscomb, of Waller county, representing District No. 16, composed of the following counties: Harris, Fort Bend, Waller, Austin.

D. A. Paulus, of Lavaca county, representing District No. 18, composed of the following counties: Colorado, Lavaca, Fayette.

George W. Savage, of Montague county, representing District No. 31, composed of the following counties: Denton, Wise, Montague.

S. L. Staples, of Bastrop county, representing District No. 19, composed of the following counties: Washington, Burleson, Lee, Bastrop.

J. J. Swann, of Falls county, representing District No. 11, composed of the following counties: McLennan, Falls, Milam.

D. McNeill Turner, of Nueces county, representing District No. 23, composed of the following counties: Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Zapata, Webb, Encinal, Duval, Nueces, San Patricio, Aransas.

W. W. Turney, of El Paso county, representing District No. 25, composed of the following counties: Llano, Mason, Kimble, Menard, Schleicher, Sutton, Crockett, Tom Green, Coke, Sterling, Irion, Pecos, Buchel, Foley, Brewster, Presidio, Jeff Davis, El Paso, Val Verde, Edwards, Kinney, Uvalde, Zavala, Dimmit, Maverick.

John A. Wayland, of Robertson county, representing District No. 12, composed of the following counties: Limestone, Freestone, Robertson, Brazos.

C. A. Wheeler, of Fannin county, representing District No. 3, composed of the following counties: Lamar, Fannin.

J. R. Wilson, of Bowie county, representing District No. 1, composed of the following counties: Bowie, Cass, Marion, Morris.

W. D. Yett, of Burnet county, representing District No. 20, composed of the following counties: Williamson, Travis, Burnet.

It appearing that the certificates of election of Senators D. McNeill Turner, S. L. Staples and R. V. Davidson, of Galveston, were not on hand, the President of the Senate stated that as there was no contest filed in regard to the elec-

tion of said Senators, if there was no objection the oath of office would be administered to them, and there being none the Senators-elect appearing *en masse* before the Secretary's stand were administered the oath of office by the President.

Quorum announced present.

Prayer by Rev. Clyde B. Garrett, of Austin, Texas.

The President then briefly addressed the Senate, at the conclusion of which Senators Hanger and Miller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, first, That the officers and employes hereinafter designated are essential to the proper service of the Senate and shall be appointed and elected and receive compensations as hereinafter provided, and shall continue until discharged by the same authority which elects or appoints them in the respective offices or employment to which they shall be chosen.

Second.—That the Senate, by ballot, shall elect the following officers, namely: Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Journal Clerk, Assistant Journal Clerk, Calendar Clerk, Enrolling Clerk, Assistant Enrolling Clerk, Engrossing Clerk, Assistant Engrossing Clerk, Sergeant-at-Arms, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Door-Keeper, Assistant Door-Keeper, Chaplain, and eight committee clerks who shall serve all committees and Senators when required. And that each of said officers and employes shall receive as compensation for their services the sum of five dollars per day.

Third.—That the Lieutenant-Governor and President of the Senate shall appoint the following officers and employes of the Senate, namely, a Postmaster, who shall receive the sum of five dollars per day; five pages and one porter, each of whom shall be paid the sum of two dollars per day.

Fourth.—That the Sergeant-at-Arms shall appoint two porters who shall be under his supervision and control, and the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms shall appoint two porters who shall be under his supervision and control, each of said porters to receive the sum of two dollars per day.

Fifth.—That in presenting the names of candidates for the various places to be filled by election that the Senator presenting a candidate shall write the name and residence of the candidate, together with his own name, on a slip of paper and send the same to the Secretary to be read, and that nominating and seconding speeches be dispensed with.

Sixth.—That the Senate do now pro-

ceed to elect by ballot the officers which by this resolution it is required to elect.

HANGER.  
MILLER.

By Senator Savage:

"Amend the resolution by adding: 'Provided, that the Assistant Door-Keeper and the Assistant Engrossing Clerk shall receive as compensation \$2.50 per day.'"

Senator Hanger moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Carried.

By Senator McGee:

"Amend the resolution so as to make general committee clerks appointed by the President."

Senator Hanger moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Carried.

The resolution was then adopted.

Nominations for Secretary being in order, J. P. Pool, of Victoria county, was nominated by Senator Davidson of DeWitt.

The Chair appointed Senators Davidson of DeWitt, Turney and Lipscomb as tellers.

Mr. Pool received 30 votes.

Mr. Pool having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected, and immediately took the oath of office, administered by Lieutenant-Governor Browning.

Nominations for Assistant Secretary being in order, the following were nominated:

W. B. O'Quinn, of Lufkin, Angelina county, by Senator Beaty.

C. M. Roberts, of Houston, Harris county, by Senator Lipscomb.

The ballot resulted as follows:

Mr. O'Quinn received 18 votes.

Mr. Roberts received 13 votes.

Mr. O'Quinn having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Journal Clerk being in order, Senator Turney nominated M. L. Goodwin, of El Paso county.

Mr. Goodwin received 31 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Assistant Journal Clerk being in order, Senator Dibrell nominated Otto D. H. Pfeuffer, of Guadalupe county.

Senator Stafford nominated M. G. Sanders, of Van Zandt county.

The ballot resulted:

Mr. Sanders received 16 votes.

Mr. Otto D. H. Pfeuffer received 15 votes.

Mr. Sanders having received a major-

ity of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Calendar Clerk being in order, Senator Odell nominated Fount Ray, of Johnson county.

Mr. Ray received 30 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Enrolling Clerk being in order, Senator Sebastian nominated John L. Stephenson, of Taylor county.

Mr. Stephenson received 29 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Assistant Enrolling Clerk being in order, Senator Harris of Bexar nominated Miss Mary De Zavala, of Bexar county.

Miss De Zavala received 30 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Engrossing Clerk being in order, Senator Patterson nominated Frank P. Smith, of Bell county.

Mr. Smith received 30 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Assistant Engrossing Clerk being in order, the following nominations were made:

W. M. Cobb, of Lavaca county, by Senator D. A. Paulus.

J. K. P. Shirley, of Parker county, by Senator Hanger.

Mr. Cobb received 25 votes.

Mr. Shirley received 5 votes.

Mr. Cobb having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Sergeant-at-Arms being in order, Senator Hanger nominated C. H. Allen, of Travis county.

Mr. Allen received 27 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms being in order, Senator Wayland nominated D. F. Hughes, of Limestone county.

Mr. Hughes received 31 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Door-Keeper being in order, Senator Savage nominated Jno. W. Dale, of Montague county.

Mr. Dale received 30 votes, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Nominations for Assistant Door-Keeper being in order,

Senator Miller nominated V. F. Pace, of Dallas county.

Senator Savage nominated Lucian Goss, of Baylor county.

Senator Neal nominated H. F. Plaster, of Grimes county.

The ballot resulted as follows:

Mr. Goss received 16 votes.

Mr. Pace received 13 votes.

Mr. Plaster received 2 votes.

Mr. Goss having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

#### COMMUNICATION.

The following communication was laid before the Senate:

Austin, Texas, January 7, 1901.

*To the President of the Senate.*

DEAR SIR: We have been appointed a committee to submit to your honorable body the following resolutions unanimously adopted this day by the Austin Ministerial Association:

Resolved, That the Ministerial Association of Austin (composed of the Evangelical pastors and other ministers) respectfully tender their services, without charge, to the Senate and the House of Representatives of Texas, to open their respective bodies with prayer, a week at a time each, in rotation, during the continuance of their sessions.

Resolved, That Revs. J. A. French and T. B. Southall be appointed to convey these resolutions to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

Very respectfully,

J. A. FRENCH,

T. B. SOUTHALL,  
Committee.

Nominations for Chaplain being in order, the following nominations were made:

Rev. Pope Goodson, of Travis county, by Senator Harris of Bexar.

Rev. John F. Sullivan, of Fayette county, by Senator Dibrell.

Rev. I. S. Davenport, of Williamson county, by Senator Odell.

Rev. W. F. Keith, of Montague county, by Senator Savage.

Rev. Clyde B. Garrett, of Travis county, by Senator McGee.

The ballot resulted as follows:

Rev. Davenport received 17 votes.

Rev. Garrett received 5 votes.

Rev. Goodson received 3 votes.

Rev. Keith received 3 votes.

Rev. Sullivan received 2 votes.

Rev. Davenport having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

#### APPOINTMENT OF POSTMASTER.

The President announced the appointment of Mrs. Pauline Evans as Postmaster of the Senate.

#### ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CLERKS.

Nominations for committee clerks being in order, the following nominations were made:

L. M. Williams, of Fort Bend county, by Senator Lipscomb.

J. P. Paschall, of Stephens county, by Senator Sebastian.

G. C. Staples, of Bastrop county, by Senator Staples.

R. F. Cook, of Brown county, by Senator Grinnan.

I. O. Newton, of Milam county, by Senator Swann.

Miss Elsie Green, of Dallas county, by Senator Turney.

L. Isaacs, of Milam county, by Senator Swann.

Jno. J. Ball, of Cass county, by Senator Wilson.

Miss Annie Althausen, of Tarrant county, by Senator Hanger.

J. E. Webb, of Hill county, by Senator Odell.

Miss Mabel Shelley, of Burnet county, by Senator Yett.

J. R. Curl, of Travis county, by Senator Wayland.

Levi Lloyd, Jr., of Cherokee county, by Senator Stafford.

Miss Bettie Johnson, of Travis county, by Senator Dibrell.

A. W. Morris, Jr., of Montgomery county, by Senator Neal.

C. S. Brigance, of Robertson county, by Senator Patterson.

Miss Emily Holcomb, of Travis county, by Senator Lloyd.

G. C. Morriss, of Cass county, by Senator Wilson.

W. C. Crow, of Dallas county, by Senator Miller.

Mrs. Hope Hawkins, of Tarrant county, by Senator Johnson.

R. W. Finley, Jr., of Travis county, by Senator Harris of Bexar.

C. D. Kinney, of ——— county, by Senator Harris of Bexar.

W. P. Williams, of Kaufman county, by Senator Johnson.

Otto D. H. Pfeuffer, of Guadalupe county, by Senator Johnson.

Miss Agnes Nitschke, of Travis county, by Senator Savage.

#### FIRST BALLOT.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Williamson received 6 votes.

Miss Green received 16 votes.

Miss Althausen received 11 votes.

Paschall received 18 votes.

Staples received 15 votes.

Cook received 9 votes.

Newton received 6 votes.

Isaacs received 2 votes.

Webb received 2 votes.  
 Miss Shelley received 22 votes.  
 Carl received 5 votes.  
 Miss Johnson received 13 votes.  
 Morriss, G. C., received 8 votes.  
 Miss Holcomb received 16 votes.  
 Lloyd received 23 votes.  
 Crow received 7 votes.  
 Ball received 2 votes.  
 Morris, A. W., received 14 votes.  
 Mrs. Hawkins received 17 votes.  
 Finley received 10 votes.  
 Williams received 7 votes.  
 Pfeuffer received 11 votes.  
 Miss Nitschke received 1 vote.  
 Chaffe received 1 vote.  
 Kinney received 1 vote.  
 Miss Green, Miss Shelley, Miss Holcomb, Mrs. Hawkins and Messrs. Lloyd and Paschall each having received a majority of all the votes cast were declared duly and constitutionally elected.  
 The names of W. P. Williams and C. D. Kinney were withdrawn.  
 There remaining two committee clerks yet to be elected, a second ballot was ordered, resulting as follows:

## SECOND BALLOT.

Miss Althausen received 10 votes.  
 Carl received 5 votes.  
 Crow received 6 votes.  
 Cook received 1 vote.  
 Miss Johnson received 4 votes.  
 Finley received 5 votes.  
 Morris, A. W., received 6 votes.  
 Morriss, G. C., received 5 votes.  
 Newton received 1 vote.  
 Isaacs received 2 votes.  
 Staples received 5 votes.  
 Williamson received 1 vote.  
 Pfeuffer received 5 votes.  
 Webb received 2 votes.  
 Williams received 1 vote.  
 No election.

## THIRD BALLOT.

Miss Althausen received 13 votes.  
 Carl received 5 votes.  
 Crow received 7 votes.  
 Cook received 1 vote.  
 Miss Johnson received 6 votes.  
 Finley received 5 votes.  
 Morris, A. W., received 6 votes.  
 Morriss, G. C., received 5 votes.  
 Newton received 1 vote.  
 Isaacs received 1 vote.  
 Staples received 5 votes.  
 Williamson received 1 vote.  
 Pfeuffer received 3 votes.  
 No election.

Senator James moved to adjourn until 3:30 p. m.  
 Adjourned.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant Governor Browning in the Chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

## Present.

Beaty.	Odell.
Davidson of Galveston.	Patterson.
Goss.	Paulus.
Grinnap.	Rotter.
Hanger.	Savage.
Harris of Bexar.	Sebastian.
Harris of Hunt.	Stafford.
James.	Staples.
Johnson.	Swann.
Lipscomb.	Turner.
Lloyd.	Turney.
McGee.	Wayland.
Miller.	Wheeler.
Neal.	Wilson.
	Yett.

## Absent.

Dibrell. Davidson of DeWitt.

The Senate resumed balloting for committee clerks, the fourth ballot resulting as follows:

## FOURTH BALLOT.

Miss Althausen received 14 votes.  
 Crow received 9 votes.  
 Morris, A. W., received 5 votes.  
 Morriss, G. C., received 3 votes.  
 Miss Johnson received 3 votes.  
 Pfeuffer received 7 votes.  
 Finley received 7 votes.  
 Williamson received 2 votes.  
 Webb received 2 votes.  
 Staples received 4 votes.  
 Newton received 1 vote.  
 Isaacs received 1 vote.  
 Ball received 1 vote.  
 No election.

The name of Mr. Staples was withdrawn.

## FIFTH BALLOT.

Miss Althausen received 18 votes.  
 Crow received 15 votes.  
 Pfeuffer received 8 votes.  
 Finley received 4 votes.  
 Miss Johnson received 2 votes.  
 Morris, A. W., received 5 votes.  
 Morriss, G. C., received 3 votes.  
 Williams received 2 votes.  
 Webb received 1 vote.  
 Shirley received 1 vote.  
 Isaacs received 1 vote.  
 Newton received 1 vote.

Miss Althausen having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

There remaining one other clerk to be elected, another ballot was ordered.

#### SIXTH BALLOT.

Crow received 14 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 7 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 1 vote.  
Finley received 4 votes.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Williamson received 1 vote.  
Miss Johnson received 1 vote.  
No election.

#### SEVENTH BALLOT.

Crow received 13 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 1 vote.  
Pfeuffer received 8 votes.  
Morris, A. W., received 2 votes.  
Finley received 2 votes.  
Miller received 1 vote.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
No election.

#### EIGHTH BALLOT.

Crow received 9 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 8 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 9 votes.  
Ball received 1 vote.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
No election.

#### NINTH BALLOT.

Crow received 8 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 12 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 6 votes.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Finley received 1 vote.  
No election.

#### TENTH BALLOT.

Crow received 6 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 10 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 9 votes.  
Webb received 4 votes.  
Carl received 1 vote.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
No election.  
Senator McGee nominated L. B. Mitchell, of Harrison county.

#### ELEVENTH BALLOT.

Crow received 6 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 6 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 7 votes.  
Mitchell received 4 votes.  
Webb received 3 votes.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Finley received 1 vote.  
No election.  
Miss Johnson's name having been withdrawn, Senator Paulus renominated her for committee clerk.

#### TWELFTH BALLOT.

Crow received 4 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 5 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 7 votes.  
Miss Johnson received 5 votes.  
Ball received 1 vote.  
Webb received 1 vote.  
Brigance received 1 vote.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Mitchell received 3 votes.  
No election.

#### THIRTEENTH BALLOT.

Crow received 4 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 6 votes.  
Morriss, G. C., received 9 votes.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Miss Johnson received 3 votes.  
Shirley received 2 votes.  
Mitchell received 2 votes.  
Ball received 2 votes.  
No election.

Senator Odell moved that the President be authorized and instructed to appoint a general committee clerk to serve the President of the Senate and to perform such other services as he might be directed.

*Ruled out of order because the resolution previously adopted providing for eight committee clerks declared they should be elected by ballot, and the resolution had neither been reconsidered nor the part relative to the selection of committee clerks rescinded.*

Senator Davidson of DeWitt nominated R. B. Holliday, of Goliad county.

#### FOURTEENTH BALLOT.

Holliday received 1 vote.  
Crow received 3 votes.  
Pfeuffer received 3 votes.  
Miss Johnson received 1 vote.  
Morriss, G. C., received 18 votes.  
Mitchell received 3 votes.  
Carl received 2 votes.  
Isaacs received 1 vote.  
Shirley received 2 votes.  
Ball received 1 vote.  
Mr. Morriss having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

(This completed the election of officers and employes.)

The officers of the Senate, except the Chaplain, then appeared *en masse* before the President's stand and were administered the oath of office by him.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Sebastian:  
Resolved, That the Senate do now proceed to select seats for the session,

selections to be made as follows, viz.: The Secretary shall place the names of all Senators on separate pieces of paper, place them in a hat, mix them up well, and draw them therefrom one at a time, and as the names are drawn the respective Senators shall select their seats. Before the drawing begins, the Senators shall retire behind the bar.

Adopted, and immediately carried into effect.

Pending the drawing for seats, upon the call of Senator Dibrell's name, he was absent, whereupon,

Senator Turney moved that some Senator be appointed by the Chair to select a seat for Senator Dibrell.

Carried.

The Chair appointed Senator Turney to select a seat for Senator Dibrell, and he selected the seat occupied by him (Senator Dibrell) during the preceding session of the Legislature.

By Senator Swann:

Resolved, That in the place of a porter to carry the mail to and from the post-office as has heretofore been done, that V. F. Pace be made Assistant Postmaster of the Senate to perform this service and such other services as Assistant Postmaster as he may be called on to perform, and for his service shall be paid five dollars per day.

Adopted.

By Senator Potter:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint a Committee on Rules and until such committee reports and such report be adopted by the Senate, the rules of the Senate of the Twenty-sixth Legislature shall be the rules of procedure in this Senate.

Adopted.

#### PRESIDENT PRO TEM.

The Chair announced that the next order of business was the election of a President pro tem.

(Senator Stafford in the chair.)

Senator Miller was placed in nomination by Senator Hanger.

Senator Odell seconded the nomination.

The ballot was taken,

Senator Miller receiving 26 votes.

Senator Hanger receiving 1 vote.

Senator Sebastian receiving 1 vote.

The election was made unanimous, and the Chair appointed Senators Hanger and Paulus to escort President pro tem. Miller to the chair, who in a few happy remarks thanked the Senators for the honor conferred, and accepted the gavel.

(President pro tem. Miller in the chair.)

Senator Odell presented the Chaplain-

elect of the Senate, Rev. I. S. Davenport, before the President's stand and requested that he take the oath of office.

On motion of Senator Turney the administering of the oath of office to Rev. Davenport was dispensed with.

(Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.)

#### RESOLUTION.

By Senator McGee:

Resolved, That a committee of three Senators be appointed by the President to notify the Governor and House of Representatives that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

On motion of Senator Johnson the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

#### COMMITTEE ON RULES.

The Chair announced the following Committee on Rules: Senators Potter, chairman; Turney, Miller, Goss and Hanger.

On motion of Senator Miller, the Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. tomorrow.

#### SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Pro Tem. Miller in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Present—29.

Beatty.	Neal.
Davidson of	Patterson.
DeWitt.	Paulus.
Davidson of	Potter.
Galveston.	Savage.
Goss.	Sebastian.
Grinnan.	Stafford.
Hanger.	Staples.
Harris of Bexar.	Swann.
Harris of Hunt.	Turner.
James.	Turney.
Johnson.	Wayland.
Lipscomb.	Wheeler.
Lloyd.	Wilson.
McGee.	Yett.
Miller.	

Absent—2.

Dibrell.	Odell.
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Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. I. S. Davenport.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator McGee, the same was dispensed with.